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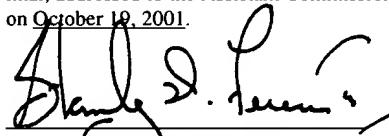
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In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts dated August 15, 2001, Applicant submits herewith a duly executed **Declaration and Power of Attorney for Patent Application**.

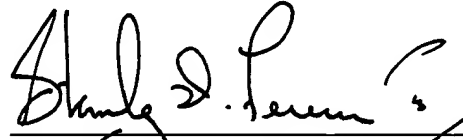
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Since all the missing parts have now been supplied, it is submitted that the application is now complete and in form for examination. Accordingly, such examination and prompt allowance are earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

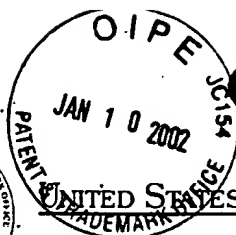
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